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December 27, 2012

The Honorable John Boehner Speaker of the House US House of Representatives H-232, The Capitol Washington, DC 20510

Dear Speaker Boehner:

There are five days left until our country reaches the fiscal cliff and middle class Iowa families see their taxes go up. Congress cannot waste one additional minute with political posturing. The House must act immediately to stop tax hikes on the middle class, sequestration, and the fiscal cliff from occurring.

Over the past year, Congress has taken one undeserved vacation after another. It is the height of irresponsibility that the House of Representatives is taking yet another vacation with just five short days to address the critical challenges that have been kicked down the road by this Congress again and again. There is no time to waste. The House cannot continue to sit on the sidelines while the clock runs out and Iowa families face looming tax increases they cannot afford.

I call on you to immediately bring Members of the House back to Washington, DC and to vote on commonsense legislation to stop these tax increases and the fiscal cliff. Iowans cannot afford more of the same, and they cannot afford any further delay. I introduced compromise legislation months ago that would preserve tax cuts for middle class families, small businesses, and family farms. It's time for the House to move forward with a compromise. I have remained in Washington and stand ready to work with anyone who will put posturing aside and pass a commonsense, balanced solution.

Sincerely, Since Johnsonk

Dave Loebsack

Iowa's Second District